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Title: REQUEST SCHEDULER FOR 3173 Cedar Road
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AUTOMATED SOFTWARE CONFIGURATION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for response for a period of two months. The period for response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004 for the above-identified patent application will now expire on October 6, 2004.

A check in the amount of \$430.00 in enclosed for the two month extension.

Respectfully submitted, N. Lenz, et al

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